

## Provisional Vital Statistics for July 2021

**Live Births** decreased slightly in July as 6,250 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,284 born one year earlier. Births also decreased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For January-July, births decreased by 1.6 percent from 40,513 to 39,855.

**Deaths** increased in July as 6,166 Missourians died compared with 5,710 in July 2020. Deaths also increased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For January-July, there were 41,199 Missouri resident deaths or 4.5 percent more than the 39,350 deaths for the similar time period in 2020.

The **Natural Increase** in July for Missourians was 84 (6,250 births minus 6,166 deaths). However, there was a natural decrease for both the 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For the 12 months ending with July, the natural decrease was 7,113 compared to an increase of 6,297 in 2020.

**Marriages** decreased in July, but increased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month time periods ending with July. For the 12 months ending with July, marriages increased by 15.1 percent from 32,644 to 37,582.

**Dissolutions of Marriage** also decreased in July, but increased for the two cumulative time periods shown in the table below. For the 12 months ending with July, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 1.99 to 2.07.

**Infant Deaths** decreased in July as 24 Missouri infants died compared with 30 in July of 2020. For the 12 months ending with July, the infant death rate increased 5.8 to 5.9 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>July</u>				<u>Jan. — July Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with July</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b>Live Births</b> .....	6,284	6,250	12.1	12.0	40,513	39,855	11.3	11.1	71,171	68,619	11.8	11.6	11.2
<b>Deaths</b> .....	5,710	6,166	11.0	11.8	39,350	41,199	11.0	11.5	64,874	75,732	10.1	10.6	12.3
<b>Natural increase</b> .....	574	84	1.1	0.2	1,163	-1,344	0.3	-0.4	6,297	-7,113	1.7	1.0	-1.2
<b>Marriages</b> .....	3,134	2,983	6.0	5.7	15,258	18,415	4.3	5.2	32,644	37,582	6.2	5.3	6.1
<b>Dissolutions</b> .....	1,552	1,529	3.0	2.9	8,933	10,712	2.5	3.0	16,368	18,185	2.9	2.7	3.0
<b>Infant deaths</b> .....	30	24	4.8	3.8	235	251	5.8	6.3	415	408	6.3	5.8	5.9
<b>Population base</b> ..... (in thousands)	....	....	6,152	6,156	....	....	6,152	6,156	....	....	6,134	6,147	6,154

\* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1,000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Beginning with provisional July 2006 data numbers and rates are based on month of event rather than month of report. This will result in a delay in reporting, but will more accurately reflect current trends.

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